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A report of the work accomplished by the special service for rat extermination, organized by the Cuban authorities, for the 10 days August 10-20, is as follows:

Days.	Number squares inspected.	Number rats caught.	Number traps set.	Days.	Number squares inspected.	Number rats caught.	Number traps set.
Aug. 11.....	143	126	350	Aug. 17.....	158	120	362
Aug. 12.....	174	155	383	Aug. 18.....	115	59	394
Aug. 13.....	161	155	396	Aug. 19.....	147	123	341
Aug. 14.....	154	121	354	Aug. 20.....	131	227	392
Aug. 15.....	145	89	324				
Aug. 16.....	151	121	387	Total..	1,479	1,296	3,683

Total number of poisons placed, 18,077.

During the same period of 10 days, 691 fines were imposed for noncompliance with the sanitary regulations regarding covered metal garbage cans.

EGYPT.

Typhus Fever.

Consul Knabenshue at Cairo reports that during the three weeks ended June 24 there were reported 17 deaths from typhus fever at Cairo and 6 cases with 3 deaths at Port Said.

INDIA.

Calcutta—Cholera and Plague.

Dr. Allan, surgeon to the American consulate general, reports: During the week ended July 13, 1912, there were reported 19 deaths from cholera and 6 from plague in Calcutta; in all Bengal, 6 cases of plague with 7 deaths; in all India, 277 cases of plague with 204 deaths.

ITALY.

Cholera in Sardinia.

Cholera has been reported in Cagliari, in the southern part of the island of Sardinia. From August 14 to 27 there were officially reported 16 cases with 5 deaths.

Palermo—Typhus Fever.

Consul de Soto reports that during the two weeks ended July 27, 5 cases of typhus fever with 5 deaths were reported in Palermo.

MEXICO.

Yellow Fever at Frontera.

A case of yellow fever was officially reported at Frontera August 30, 1912.

Sanitary Inspector Eaves at Frontera reports September 3: Yellow fever of grave character exists at this port.

Dr. Liceaga, president of the superior board of health of Mexico, advises August 27, 1912, that the troops of the Thirty-ninth Battalion, who were stationed at San Juan Bautista, and among whom several cases of yellow fever had occurred, were transferred to Frontera and there infected two members of the crew of the Swedish brig *Valkyrien*.